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DULL DAY ON 'CHANGE

Total Sales Were Extremely Low with a Firm Undertone.

At Times During the Session the Market Was Absolutely Dead-Indianapolis Grain Remains Dull.

At New York yesterday money on call was easy at 16114 per cent, the last loan being at 1, closing at 1 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 31/2051/2.

Sterling exchange closed dull with actual business in bankers' bills at \$1.87@ 4.87% for demand and at \$4.84%@4.84% for sixty days; posted rates, \$4.85\@4.88\\; commercial bills, \$4.83@4.83%.

Silver certificates, 69%c bid. Bar silver closed at 69%c per ounce; at London, 32d. The total sales of stock were 138,000

shares. It was a phenomenally dull day on the Stock Exchange and there were periods of complete stagnation during which absolutely no business was transacted. The resuit is that the total sales of the day do not aggregate more than on a brisk market would be made in a single hour. There was a firm undertone to the dealings, and the changes on the day, though slight, are generally in the advance column. At the opening a firm tone prevailed and some moderate buying orders in the arbitrage specialties came in from London, which, together with advices of a better London market for American securities, helpe the sluggish upward movement. The rise was merely fractional, except for Lead preferred and Tobacco, and except in these two shares the improvement was quickly Before 11 o'clock another advance had been recorded, Tobacco and Lead preferred making additional gains, General Electric and Colorado Coai and Iron also advanced 1 per cent. and the general list 1/4 @% per cent. Then came one of the stagnant periods, during which the voice of the stock ticker was heard at but rare intervals. Toward noon there was some activity in the selling, Lead preferred losing all the early improvement, Tobacco and Consolidated Gas receding each 1 per cent, and Evansville & Terre Haute, which put out a very poor annual statement yesterday, selling off 3% per cent. National Linseed, on the contrary, was strong and advanced 24 per cent. During the early part of the af-ternoon the transactions and the fluctuations were unimportant, except in one or two instances, notably New England, which

other time during the day, an upward movement developing, which was held to the close, the final prices being, in many cases, at the highest of the day, leading advances, compared with the final sales of the year being: Tobacco, 4%; Rubber, 3; National Linseed, 24; Cordage, preferred, 11/8 and General Electric, 1. The general list closed at an advance of 1/40% per cent., the notable exceptions being Evansville & Terre Haute, which is down 31/2; St. Paul & Duluth, preferred, 2; Pullman, 2, and Consolidated Gas, 1 per cent. The railway and miscellaneous bond market was firm during the greater part of the day on a light volume of business, the Atchison issue being the feature of the deal-

fell off 1% per cent. on liquidation of a pool

purposes, and needed it no longer. Tobacco

took a jump of 21/2 per cent. before 2 o'clock,

a fractional reaction set in and the specula-

tion was heavy until the last half hour,

when the trading became firmer than at any

bash debentures, series B, 21/2; Chesapeake & Ohio, Richmond & Allegheny division second consols, 21/2; Wisconsin Central incomes, 2 per cent. Government bonds were quiet. State bonds were dull. The following table, prepared by James E. Berry, Room 16, Board of Trade, shows the range of quotations:

ings. In the late transactions there was

active buying, and the market closed strong.

The changes of the day are: Advances-Wa-

Name.	Open-	High- est.	Low-	Clos-
Adama Evanoga	ang.	est.	est.	1119
Adams Express Alton & Terre Haute A. & T. H. pref American Express Atchison			****	25
A. & T. H. pref				145
American Express	*** ****	****	****	114
Atchison	19%	201/8	19%	19%
Daniellore & Omo		****	****	14473
Canada Pacine		****	****	737
Canada Southern		****	****	33%
Central Pacific Chesapeake & Ohio.	1874	1974	1976	19 18%
Chicago & Alton				158
Chesapeake & Ohio. Chicago & Alton C., B. & Q C. & E. I. pref Chicago Gas	7814	781/2	777%	781/4
C. & E. I. pref	*** ****	****	12000000	99
Chicago Gas	66%	66%	65%	65%
C., C. & St. L	01 24	3856	37%	381/4
Cotton Oil Delaware & Hudson	201/3	29%	37¾ 29¼	291/
D., L. & W	*** ****	12222	1,500,000	200
Dis. & C. F. Co	2514	28%	9776	28%
Edison Gen. Elec	3514	3614	351/2	36
E'mia				45.57
Erie pref	*** ****	****	****	32
Fort Wayne		****	****	150
Hocking Valley Iliinois Central	62	09	. 00	21%
Lake Erie & West	er 20	20	23	151/
L. E. & W. pref	*** ****	****	****	151/2
Lake Shore	12674	127	19834	12630
Lead Trust	241/4	2434	2414	241/
Lead Trust pref Louisville & Nash	70	71%	70	7156
Louisville & Nash	50	50%	49%	493
Louisville & N. Al Manhattan				9%
				127
Missouri Pacific National Cordage	9.630	95	9.454	10114
National Cordage		200	21/8	195
National Cord, pref.				431/4
National Cord, pref New Jersey Central		****	****	115
New York Central N. Y. & N. E	*** ****	****	****	1013
N. Y. & N. E	30	30	28%	29%
Northern Pacific			****	6
Northern Pac. pref.	10214	23% 103%	2176	217
Northwestern pref	***100.3	10574	10336	10334
Pacific Mail		****	****	141/
Peoria, D. & E				61/
Pullman Palace	171	171	171	171
Reading	213/8		20	2015
Rock Island	6734	6814	67%	68
St. Paul	62/3	631/8	62%	6314
St. Paul pref	92	83%	8246	118
Sugar Refinery U. S. Express,	00	20074	0479	833 ₃
Wab. St. L. & P		****	****	71/
W., St. L. & P. pref	15%	157%	15%	157
Wells-Fargo Express	S	****	****	125
Western Union	871/2	88%	87%	88%
U. S. Fours, Reg	** ****	****	****	1133
U. S. Fours, Coup	*** ****	****	****	114%
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LOCAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE. Improvement in Trade Noticeable

with Few Changes in Values. There is certainly more snap to trade the present week. In the dry-goods line the tendency to lower prices has been checked and on some lines higher prices are likely to become effective. Trade with the drygoods men has improved the last few days. and there was ample room for such improvement. The busiest merchants are those who sell fancy notions, candies and like Christmas goods. High-priced goods box. are moving slowly. On Commission row complaints of dull business are heard, but more is doing than in the first week of December. So far as prices are concerned fruits and vegetables show no change. Cranges are really cheaper than green appies. In the vegetable line there is no room for complaint as to prices. Both poultry and provision markets carry a weak tone. There is a little more life to the local grain market, but the actual sales show that the dealers and shippers are not buying ahead in any quantities. The lower rates are not moving grain as the grain men or railway officials had expected. Track

bids yesterday ruled as follows: Wheat-No. 2 red, 571/2c; No. 3 red, 54c; re-Corn-No. 1 white, 361/2c; No. 2 white, 36c; No. 3 white, one color, 351/2c; two colors, 36c; No. 4 white, 30c; No. 2 white mixed, 35%c; No. 3 white mixed, 35%c; No. 4 white mixed, 30c; No. 2 yellow, 35c; No. 3 yellow, 34%c; No. 4 yellow, 30c; No. 2 mixed, 3tc; No. 3 mixed, 34c; No. 4 mixed, 30c; ear corn, Oats-No. 2 white, 32c; No. 3 white, 31c.

No. 2 mixed, 30c; rejected, 23@25c. Hay-Choice timothy, \$12.50; No. 1, \$11.50; No. 2, 89.50; No. 1 prairie, \$6.75; mixed, \$8; Rye-No. 2, 45c for car lots; 40c for wagon

Bran, \$12.75. Poultry and Other Produce. (Prices Paid by Dealers.) Poultry-Hens, 5c per lb; young chickens, 5c per lb; turkeys, toms, 5c per lb; hens, 64c per lb; fancy fat young turkeys, 7c; small and poor, 5c; ducks, 6c per lb;

geese, \$4.20 per doz. for choice; rabbits, 75c per doz. Eggs-Shippers paying 22c. Butter-Choice, 15@16c; mixed, 10@12c. Honey-New. 186220c.

Feathers-Prime geese, 40c per lb; mixed Reeswax-20c for yelow; 15c for dark. Wool-Unwashed medium wool, 16c; unwashed coarse or braid, 13@14c; unwashed fine merino, 10@13c; tub-washed, 18@23c; burry and cotted wool, 3c to 6c less than above prices.

RAW FURS. Following is the price list for central and northern Indiana and Ohio for prime skins: Extra coon, \$1@2; large coon, 80c; medium 60c; small coon, 40c; large mink, \$1.25; medium mink, 80c; small mink, 50c; black skunk, \$1@1.25; half stripe skunk, 80c; narrow stripe skunk, 35c; broad stripe skunk, 15c; opposum, 5020c; rat. 3013c; red fox, 50c0\$1.25; grey for 40065c; otter. \$368; Kentucky skins, 10620 per cent. lower than prices quoted above.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC. Hides—No. 1 green hides, 2½c; No. 1 G. S. hides, 3½c; No. 2 G. S. hides, 2½c; No. 1 calf hides, 5c; No. 2 calf hides, 3½c. Tallow-No. 1 tallow, 4%c; No. 2 tallow, 4c. Greese-White, 4%c; yellow, 3%c; brown,

Bones-Dry, \$12@13 per ton.

THE JOBBING TRADE. (The quotations given below are the selling prices of wholesale dealers.) Candies and Nuts.

Candies-Stick, 61/2c per lb; common mixed 6½c; G. A. R. mixed, 7½c; Banner mixed, 10c; cream mixed, 10c; old-time mixed, 7½c. Nuts—Soft-shelled almonds, 18c; English walnuts, 15c; Brazil nuts, 12c; filberts, 11c; peanuts, roasted, 7@8c; mixed nuts, 14c.

Canned Goods. Peaches - Standard, 3-pound, \$1.85@2; 3 pound seconds, \$1.30@1.40; 2-pound pie, 90@ 95c; California standard, \$2.25@2.50; California seconds, \$1.85@2. Miscellaneous—Blackberries, 2-pound, 90@95c; raspberries,2-pound, \$1.20@1.25; pineapple, standard, 2-pound, \$1.25 (al.35; choice, \$2/a2.25; cove oysters, 1-pound full weight, 95c@\$1; light, 65@70c; 2-pound full, \$1.80@1.90; light, \$1.10@1.20; string beans, 85@95c; Lima beans, \$1.10@1.30; peas, marrowfat, \$1.10@1.20; early June, \$1.25@1.50 obsters, \$1.85@2; red cherries, \$1.20@1.25 strawberries, \$1.20@1.30; salmon (lbs), \$1.45 @2.20; 3-pound tomatoes, \$1.15@1.20.

Coal and Coke. Anthracite coal, all sizes, \$7.50 per ton; Pittsburg and Raymond City, \$4.25 per ton; Jackson, \$4.25; block, \$3.25; Island City, \$3; Blossburg and English cannel, \$5. All nut coals 50c below above quotations. Coke - Connellsville, \$3.75 per load; crushed, \$3.25 per load; lump, \$3 per load. Dried Fruits.

Figs-Layer, 14@15c per lb. Peaches-Common sun-dried, 61/07c per b; common evaporated, 10/01lc; California choice, 111/2@12c; California fancy, 121/2@13c. Apricots-Evaporated, 16@18c. Prunes-Turkish, 8@9c per lb; California,

Currants-51/2@6c per lb. Raisins-Loose Muscatel, \$1.75@1.85 per box; London layer, \$1.85@2 per box; Valencla, 8@81/2c per lb; layer, 9@10c.

Alcohol, \$2.20@2.40; asafetida, 34c; alum 4@5e; camphor, 60@65e; cochineal, 50@55c Moroform, 60@65c; copperas, brls, 85c@31 cream tartar, pure, 26@28c; indigo, 80@90c; icorice, Calab., genuine, 3/945c; magnesia, carb., 2-oz., 25/35c; morphine, P. & W., per oz., 82.45: madder, 16/318c; oil, castor, per gal, \$1.28@1.30; oil, bergamot, per lb, \$3.25; opium, \$2.75; quinine, P. & W., per oz., 29g 40c; balsam copaiba, 60@65c; soap, castile Fr., 12@16c; soda, bicarb., 41/2@6c; salts, Epsom, 4@5c; sulphur, flcur, 5@6c; saltpeter, which had bought the stock for election 8@20c; turpentine, 36@40c; glycerine, 16@20c; icdide potassium, \$3@3.10; bromide potassium, 40@45c; chiorate potash, 20c; borax, 12@14c; cinchonidia, 12@15c; carbolic acid Oils-Linseed oil, 44@47c per gal; coal oil egal test, 7@14c; bank, 40c; best straits, 50c; Labrador, 60c; West Virginia lubricating, 20@30c; miners', 45c. Lard oils-Winter strained in barrels, 75c per gal; in half bar-

reis, 3c per gal extra. Dry Goods. Bleached Sheetings-Androscoggin L. 61/2c Berkeley, No. 60, 9c; Cabot, 6%c; Capital, 6c; Cumberland, 7%c; Dwight Anchor, 8%c; Fruit of Loom, 8c; Farwell, 7c; Fitch-viile, 61/2c; Full Width, 51/2c; Gilt Edge, 6c: Gilded Age, 7c; Hill, 7½c; Hope, 7c; Linwood, 7½c; Lonsdale, 8c; Lonsdale Cambrie, 10½c; Masonville, 8½c; Peabody, 5¾c; Pride of the West, 111/2c; Quinebaugh, 61/2c; Star of the Nation, 6c; Ten Strike, 61/2c Pepperell, 9-4, 18c; Pepperell, 10-4, 20c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 2012c; Androscoggin, 10-4,

Brown Sheetings-Atlantic A, 61/2c; Ar gyle, 6c; Boott C, 4%c; Buck's Head, 61/2c Clifton CCC, 51/2c; Constitution, 40-inch, 71/2 Carlisle, 40-inch, 7c; Dwight Star, 71/2 Great Falls E, 6c; Great Falls J, 5c; Hill Fine, 7c; Indian Head, 6½c; Lawrence LL, 4¾c; Lockwood B, 6c; A, 5½c; Princess, 5¾c; Saranac R, 6c; Trion Sea Island, 5c; Pepperell E, 61/2c; Pepperell R, 53/4c; Pepperell, 9-4, 16c; Pepperell, 10-4, 18c; Androsperell, 9-4, 18c; Pepperell, 10-4, 18c; Andros-coggin, 9-4, 181/2c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 201/2c. Prints—Allen dress styles, 51/2c; Allen's staples, 5c; Allen TR, 51/4c; Allen robes, 51/2c; American indigo, 51/4c; American robes, 61/2c; Arnold LLC, 71/2c; Arnold LCB, 81/2c; Arnold Gold Seal, 10c; Cocheco fancy, Cocheco madders, 4%c; Hamilton fancy, 5½c; Manchester fancy, 5½c; Merrimac fancy, 5½c; Merrimac pinks and purples, 6c; Pacific fancy, 5½c; Pacific robes, 6c; Pacific mourning, 5½c; Simpson Eddystone, 5½c; Simpson Berlin solids, 5½c; Simpson's oil finish, 6c; Simpson's grays, 5½c; Simpson's mournings 5½c; 51/2c; Simpson's mournings, 51/2c. Ginghams—Amoskeag staples, 5%c; Amoskeag Persian Dress, 6%c; Bates Warwick Dress, 6%c; Johnson BF Fancies, 8%c; Lancaster, 5%c; Lancaster Normandies, 6%c; Carrolton, 4%c; Renfrew Dress, 7%c; Whittenton Heather, 6%c; Calcutta Dress Styles,

Prime Cambries-Manville, 4%c; S. S. Prime Cambrics—Manville, 4%c; S. S. & Son's, 4½c; Masonville, 4%c; Garner, 4%c. Tickings—Amoskeag, ACA, 12½c; Conestoga, BF, 14½c; Cordis, 140, 13½c; Cordis, FT, 13½c; Cordis, ACE, 12½c; Hamilton, awning, 10½c; Kimono Fancy, 17c; Lenox Fancy, 10½c; Methuen AA, 12c; Oakland, AA, 12c AF, 7c; Portsmouth, 12½c; Susquehanna, 14½c; Shetucket SW, 7½c; Shetucket F, 8c; Swift River, 5½c. Grain Bags-Amoskeag, 315.50; American. \$15.50; Franklinville, \$18; Harmony, \$15.50;

Game-Prairie chickens, \$3.75@4; grouse, \$3.50@4; mallard ducks, \$3.50; black, \$2@ 2.50; quail, \$1.75@2; venison saddles, 15@17c; carcass, 10@11c; rabbits, 90c@\$1.

Sugar-Hard sugars, 4%@5%c; confectioners' A, 4%@4%c; off A, 4%@4%c; A, 4%@4%c; extra C, 4%@4%c; yellow C, 4%@4%c; dark yellow, 34@4c. Coffee-Good, 201/@21c; prime, 22@23c strictly prime, 24@26c; fancy green and yellow, 26@27c; ordinary Java, 29@30c; old government Java, 32@33c; roasted, 1-pound packages, 24.44c. Molasses and Syrups-New Orleans mo-

lasses, fair to prime, 30@40c; choice, 40@ 45c; syrups, 25@35c.

Beans—Choice hand-picked navy, \$1.90@
2 per bu; medium hand-picked, \$1.80@1.90; limas, California, 40412c per lb. Rice — Louisiana, 3465c; Carolina, 4120 Honey-New York stock, 1-pound sections, Spices - Pepper, 16@18c; allspice, 12@15c; cloves, 20@25c; cassia, 10@12c; nutmegs, 70@ Salt-In car lots, 80@85c; small lots, 90@ Twine-Hemp, 12@18c per lb; wool, 8@10c; flax, 206230c; paper, 15c; jute, 126215c; cot-

Shot-\$1.50@1.55 per bag for drop. Lead--7@7%c for pressed bars. Wooden Dishes-No. 1, per 1,000, \$2,20; No. \$2.50; No. 3, \$2.80; No. 5, \$3.50. Flour Sacks (paper)-Plain, 1-32 brl, 1,000, \$3.50; 1-16 brl, \$5; 1/8 brl, \$8; 1/4 brl, \$16 No. 2 drab, plain, 1-32 bri, per 1,000, \$4.25; 1-16, \$6.50; \(\frac{1}{2} \), \$10; \(\frac{1}{2} \), \$20; No. 1 cream, plain, per 1,000, \$7; 1-16, \$8.75; 1/8, \$14.50; 1/4. \$28.50. Extra charge for printing. Woodware-No. 1 tubs, \$6.50@7; No. 2 tubs, \$5.5026; No. 3 tubs, \$4.5005; 3-hoop pails, \$1.60@1.65; 2-hoop pails, \$1.35@1.40; double washboards, \$2.25@2.75; common washboards, \$1.50@1.85; clothes pins, 50@85c per

Straight grades, \$2.70@3; fancy grades, \$2.90 3.15; patent flour, \$3.50@4; low grades, \$1.50

Iron and Steel. Bar fron, 1.70@1.80c; horseshoe bar, 2%@ 3e; nail rod, 6e; plow slabs, 3e; American cast steel, 9c; tire steel, 2% @3c; spring steel,

Leather-Oak sole, 28@38c; hemlock sole 2028c; harness, 26038c; skirting, 31052c single strap, 41c; black bridle, per doz, \$60 @95; fair bridle, \$60@78 per doz; city kip, 6075c; French kip, 85c@\$1.10; city calfskins, 85c@\$1; French calfskins, \$1@1.80. Nails and Horseshoes.

Steel cut nails, \$1.30; wire nails, \$1.60 rates; horseshoes, per keg. \$1; mule shoes, per keg, \$5; horse nails, \$405. Oil Cake. Oil cake, \$25.25 per ton; oil meal, \$25.25. Produce, Fruits and Vegetables.

Apples-Northern spies, Baldwins and reenings, No. 1, \$4.50@5; No. 2, \$4@4.25 per Cranberries-Cape Cod, \$7.50@8 per bri; Jersey, \$6@7 per brl. Celery-25@30c per bunch. Cabbage-\$1@1.25 per brl. Sweet Potatoes-Eastern Jerseys, \$4.50@5; Cobden, \$3.50@3.75; Virginias, \$3.25 per brl.

Onions-75@80c per bu or \$2 per brl. Grapes-Malaga, \$696.50, according to quality, per keg Potatoes-\$202.25 per brl; from car, 600 65e: from store, 65@70c. Florida Pineapples-\$1.50@2 per doz. Bananas-\$1.25@1.75 per bunch, according o size and quality. Lemons-Choice, \$4 per box; fancy, \$5. Cheese-New York full cream, Nigglic; 5077c per ID. Florida Oranges-\$2@2.75 per box, accord-

ing to size and quality.

Cider-Duffy brand, 32-gal brl, \$5; 16-gal

Provisions. Bacon-Clear sides, 50 lbs average, 91/2c; 30 to 40 lbs average, 10c; 20 to 30 lbs average, 10%c; clear bellies, 18 to 20 lbs average, 94c; 16 lbs average, 9%c; 12 lbs average, 11c; clear backs, 20 to 25 lbs average, 10c; 12 to 20 lbs average, 1014c; light, 9 lbs aver-

age, 10%c. Shoulders-English cured, 12 lbs average, 9%c; 16 lbs average, 8%c. California Hams-Sugar-cured, 10 to 12 lbs average, 7%c. Hams-Sugar-cured, 18 to 20 lbs average, 104@104c; 15 lbs average, 11c; 12½ lbs average, 11½c; 10 lbs average, 12c; block hams,

Boneless Hams-Sugar-cured, 81/2c. Pickled Pork-Bean pork, clear, per br!, 200 lbs, \$21; rump pork, \$15.50 per brl. Breakfast Bacon-Clear, English cured, Lard-Kettle-rendered, in tierces, 101/2c; Indiana, 94c. Seeds.

Clover-Choice recleaned, 60-1b bu, \$4.65@4.90; prime, \$4.65@4.95; English, choice, \$4.50@ 4.75; Alsike, choice, \$7.50@8; Alfalfa, choice, \$5.55@6. Timothy-45-lb bu, choice, \$2@2.15; strictly prime, \$1.85@2. Bluegrass-Fancy, 14-7b bu, \$1.15@1.20; extra clean, 85@90c. Orchard grass-Extra, \$1.35@1.50. Red top-Choice, 50@60c; extra clean, 38@40c. English bluegrass, 24-10 bu, \$2.40@2.50.

Tinners' Supplies. Best brand charcoal tin IC, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$7.50; IX, 10x14, 14x20 and 12x12, \$9.50; IC, 14x20, roofing tin, \$6@6.50; IC, 20x28, \$12@ 13; block tin, in pigs, 25c; in bars, 27c. Iron -27 B iron, 34c; C iron, 5c; galvanized, 70 per cent. discount. Sheet zinc, 5% @6c. Copper. bottoms, 22c. Planished copper, 25c. Solder, 15@16c.

How to Help the Pensioners.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: The bills which Senator Voorhees introduced in the Senate and Representative Martin in the House of Representatives, will fall short of the mark to help pensioners out of the present system of outrage from being dropped or suspended without notice or a chance to face their accusers and defend their rights, from the fact that the pensioners have only the right to appeal from the acts of Commissioner Lochren to the court in the District of Columbia, and not one in twenty of the old comrades would be able, financially, to do so; and if they did, it would be years before a decision could be reached, from the fact that all these courts are, at present, two and three years behind in the adjudication of cases on their dockets. I present the following section, and if it is made a part of the pension laws of the land, will be an act of justice to the old veterans, and throw most of these petty special examiners and pension spies and detectives out of a job: "It is hereby declared and affirmed that all pensions, after being granted by the government of the United States, and the pension certificate delivered to the pensioner or his guardian, are vested rights and the property of such pensioner, the same as any bond, or other certificate of indebtedness issued by the proper officers for the payment of money; that the payment of said pension shall not be reduced, dropped or suspended, except upon conviction of the pensioner in the United States District Court of the State in which he resides, for obtaining the said pension by fraud." No soldier will object to the punishment of a fraudulent pensioner; but the term fraudulent is a myth. You don't find any. But they have been dropped, thousands of them, just the same. No United States statute gives the Commissioner that power. on the common class of pensions which are

granted by the Pension Department, upon

applications and evidence with proper medi-cal examination. Section 4720 of the United

States Revised Statutes grants the right to

the Commissioner to drop or suspend, tem-

porarily, a pension granted by a special act

class being dropped.

of Congress. But there are none of that

M. D. ELLIS.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12. More About the Courthouse Terrace. To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: An interesting leader in the Sun, replying to my note about the courthouse terrace, remarked that the basement of the building is now dark, that the commissioners cannot see the dirt therein, and the terrace grass is yellow in summer. That basement was never intended for anything but a cellar for storage and is light enough for its proper use. We all know that the scrub-men of the courthouse are nothing but cheap politicians and have never yet done any work there, although money enough is spent on them every year to keep the building and terrace in good order. The first spit that was spat in the building is on the floor yet, occasionally the scrub-men sozzle it about with mops, and then let it dry down into a state of mucilaginous gumminess again. Moreover, in the land of the great renaissance architecture, where the climate is dry in summer like our own, a terrace covered with long, silky, golden, dry grass is considered beautiful, and is so. We once had a hand-some sum for a City Hall, and plans for a beautiful one were prepared, but the same noisy ignoramuses who now wish to destroy our courthouse, raised a clamor against having a splendid City Hall, and the money for it was frittered away in broken banks and in our market house. Therefore we have a perfectly unendurable concert hall, knee deep in market dirt and reeking with market swills, and our city fathers meet in a storage cellar. Our courthouse is an exquisite specimen of the French renaissance architecture. All who love buildings or have any feeling for architecture, are charmed with it, both inside and out. Its frescoes are capital, and it is a fireproof building. The excellent architect paid a part of the cost of the polished Scotch granite columns out of his own pocket. The terrace is necessary to the unity of his design.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12. MARY DEAN. Rendering Plants Hardier.

Country Gentleman. A mistaken opinion is held by many persons that exposing certain plants to cold will gradually render them hardler. It is true that tender plants may be temporarily fitted to endure the cold by setting them in dry soil or where the wood will ripen sooner, but this is comparativey slight, and continues only for a time. It does not apply to distinct species. The potato, for instance, of which hundreds of new varieties are yearly propagated from seed, is always alike in these varieties and equally cut by frost; and the millions of plants made from cuttings of the tubers remain unchanged in this particular. Every potato that grows is alike liable to be frost bitten. In the case of the apple, a slight variation occurs in the varieties produced from seed, and the western varieties termed ironclads will withstand a degree of cold which will frequently destroy old standard sorts. But the difference is very slight, and as a distinguished physiologist remarks: "It is now almost universally conceded that by no process of acclimation can we succeed in making a plant frost proof even to the extent of a

Many years ago a distinguished vineyard-ist claimed to have rendered his Isabella grape vines permanently hardier by continually propagating the earliest vines; but all that he may have gained so as to produce earlier ripening by maturing the wood, was lost when the early vines or those supposed to be such were raised from it. The Isabella grape was found to be still Isabella, although a dry or well drained locality produced earlier maturity for a time. characteristics of the particular variety were not permanently changed. It may be well therefore for gardeners to bear in mind that quality and early maturity, as well as hardiness, must be secured by avoiding watery and succulent

growth, and planting in the soil that will favor a ripening growth.

The Value of Corn Stover. Heard's Dairyman. The Maryland Experiment Station has gone through a period of experimentations to determine the digestibility of corn fodder as compared with the ears, and also other foods. It takes a good deal to educate some of us stubborn and conceited old fellows who have thought that the corn stalks were not worth much. But these Maryland figures call us down rather smartly. It was found that an acre of corn stover (which are stalks grown for fodder alone) contain more digestible matter that an acre of timothy hay, and that 51 per cent. of the digestible matter of corn is found in the stalk. The men who have used silos have known for a long time that somehow they got a big lot of money in butter from a very few acres of corn. They could not see that the silo added anything to the corn, although they knew that it preserved the same in a succulent and easily digested state. In Wisconsin at least an acre of good corn stover will produce from twice to three times as many tons as

an acre of timothy. This a time for specialties. In every line of business the man who has a good specialty stands the best chance of success. A profitable specialty in the live stock business, and one that is not overdone, is the breeding of high-class dairy cows for family use. In every town and village can be found buyers who are willing to pay exceedingly good prices if they can procure really good cows for home use

Diamonds-Marcy has the stock.

BULLS CROWDED OUT

Selling and Depression News Sent Chicago Markets Lower.

Little in the Situation to Invite Purchases for Speculation-Provisions Are Barely Firm.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 .- In spite of good cables the wheat market to-day, as a result of free offerings and the exportation of gold, was lower and the other grain markets were weak. Wheat is %c and corn %c lower than on the day before. Oats yielded only 1/sc off their previous value, but pork is .25c, lard .15c and ribs .171/2c lower. Wheat opened quiet at yesterday's closing figures. For a half hour the feeling was firm on light Northwestern receipts and firm Liverpool advices. May advanced 1/4c, but soon yielded to bearish influences. The offerings became free and the bulls retired, leaving the bears in posession of the field. Lamson, Logan, Pardridge and Leaming appeared as very heavy sellers, and added to the weakness. The shipment of \$1,700,000 gold was a depressing influence, and under it the downward course of prices was continued. Continental cables were lower, and there seemed to be nothing in the news of the day to encourage a rally on the part of the bulls. The market ruled heavy during the afternoon, and May closed 4c from bottom gures. Unfounded reports of the discovery of "weavel" in the wheat in certain elevators was given as one of the causes of the break, but the free offerings of big dealers was the potent influence in the day's decline. May opened at 68%c, advanced %c, lost %c, advanced %c, lost %c, and rallied 4c, to close at 68%c. Trading in corn was moderate, and prices ruled easier in sympathy with wheat. May opened 1/3c lower, at 401/4c, and, after de-clining 1/2c to 391/4c, rallied 1/3c, to 397/4c. Oats were easier in sympathy with corn and on liberal offerings by longs. Fluctuations were narrow, being confined to a quarter-cent range. May opened unchanged at 31c, dropped 1/4c to 30%c, and rallied 1/4c,

The provision market opened easy, but firmed up a trifle on lighter hog receipts than the estimate. Free selling by T. J. Ryan and others caused a reaction, however, and closing prices were lower all

Estimated receipts for to-morrow are: Wheat, 157 cars; corn, 400 cars; oats, 187

cars; hogs, 37,000	. Leac	ling Iu	tures	ranged
as follows:	Open-	High-	Low-	Clos-
Articles.	ing	est.	est.	ing.
Wheat-Dec	€234	623/8	6156	61%
May	681/2	68%	67%	6778
Corn-Dec	35%	35%	351/4	351/4
Jan	3534	2534	351/2	351/2
May	401/4	401/4	39%	39%
Oats-Dec	281/4	281/4	281/8	2816
Jan	28%	28%	281/2	28%
May	31	31	30%	30%
Pork-Jan\$	12.721/2	\$12.75	\$12.50	\$12.50
May	12 75	12.871/2	12.621/2	12.62%
Lard-Jan	7.921/2	7.971/2	7.821/2	7.821/2
May	7:721/2	7.75	7.60	7.60
S'ribs-Jan		6.65	6.521/2	
May	6.70	6.70	6.571/2	6.60

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour unchanged; No. 2 spring wheat, 61%c; 3 spring wheat, 56@63c; No. 2 red, 61%c; No. 2 corn, 35%c; No. 2 oats, 28%@28%c; No. 2 white, 30@3014c; No. 3 white, 2814@2914c; No. 2 rye, 4534c; No. 2 barley, nominal; No. 3 barley, 40@51c; No. 4, 36@42c; No. 1 flaxseed, \$1.2714; prime timothy seed, \$3.90; mess pork, per brl, \$12.871/2@13; lard, per lb, 8.20c; short-rib sides (loose), 6.75@6.871/2c; dry-salted shoulders (boxed), 6.25@6.50c; short - clear sides (boxed), 7.25@7.50c; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gal, \$1.15. On the Produce Exchange, to-day, the butter market was firm; creameries, 21@

28c; dairies, 18@23c. Eggs quiet; strictly Receipts-Flour, 16,000 bris; wheat, 106,000 bu; corn, 326,000 bu; oats, 341,000 bu; rye, 11,000 bu; barley, 93,000 bu. Shipments -Flour, 14,000 brls; wheat, 13,000 bu; corn, 119,000 bu; oats, 167,000 bu; rye, 2,000 bu; barley, 42,000 bu.

AT NEW YORK.

Ruling Prices in Produce at the Seaboard's Commercial Metropolis. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.-Flour - Receipts, 62,900 brls; exports, 33,300 brls; sales, 8,000 packages. The market was dull and weaker to sell; Southern flour quiet; rye flour dull; buckwheat flour firm at \$3.15@3.25. Buckwheat quiet; Canadian, in bond, 83c asked. Corn meal quiet. Rye nominal. Barley quiet; two-rowed State, 62@63c. Barley malt dull. Wheat-Receipts, 27,100 bu; exports, 89,-600 bu; sales, 895,000 bu futures, 128,000 bu spot. Spots were more active, closing easy; No. 2 red, in store and elevator, 67%@67%c; afloat, 68% 2681/2c; f. o. b., 681/4 2681/2c; ungraded red, 65@67c; No. 1 Northern, 72%c. Options opened dull and about steady, December opening off on large increase in Northwestern stock, dull cables and realizing, closing heavy at %c net decline. No. 2 red, January, 68%@68%c, closing at 68%c; March, 70%@71%c, closing at 70%c; May, 72% @7314c, closing at 72%c; December, 671%

@67 13-16c, closing at 674c. Corn-Receipts, 75,200 bu; exports, 123,300 bu; sales, 460,000 bu futures, 153,000 bu spot. 2, in elevator, 45%c; affoat, 45%c; yellow, 46c; ungraded mixed, 45c. Option market opened steady on recent good export demand, but weakened later on increasing Western receipts, closing at %@%c net decline; January, 441/4@44%c, closing at 441/4c; May, 45%@46%c, closing at 45%c; December, 44% @14%c, closing at 44%c. Oats-Receipts, 64,100 bu; exports, 800 bu; sales, 195,000 bu futures, 94,000 bu spot. Spots were ¼@½c lower; No. 2, 33½@33¾c; No. 2, delivered, 34½@35½c; No. 3; 32¾c; No. 2 white, 35½c; No. 3 white, 33½c; track mixed Western, 34@35c; track white Western, 36@ 40c; track white State, 36@40c. Option market was quiet, but steady early, selling off later with corn, and closing at 1/801/4c net decline; January, 34%@34%c, closing at 34%c; February, 34% @34%c, closing at 34%c; May, 35 9-16@35%c, closing at 35%c; December closed at 331/2c. Hay-Low grades dull. Hops quiet. Hides quiet. Leather steady. Beef quiet; beef hams, \$15.50@16. Cut meats steady; pickled shoulders, 6664c; pickled hams, 9@91/2c. Lard quiet; Western steam closed at 8.70c. Option sales, 250 tierces; January, 8.35c, closed at 8.20c,

nominal; December closed at 8.60c, nominal. Pork was easy. Butter was steady; Western dairy, 18@ 22c; Western creamery, 20@28½c; Western factory, 161/421c; Elgins, 281/2c; State dairy, 19@26%c; State creamery, 22@27c Cheese steady; State, large, 9@11%c; small, 101/20121/4c; part skims, 4@91/2c; full skims, Eggs dull; State and Pennsylvania, 241/60 27c; icehouse, 18½@24c; Western fresh, 24½@ 26c; Southern, 24@25c; receipts, 6,511 pack-51/sc. Cotton-seed oil quiet and steady in a

ages. Tallow firm; city (\$2 per package), general way, with the demand quite local and exporters holding off for lower prices. Prime crude is quoted at 28c; off grades, 24@27c; yellow butter grades, 39c; choice yellow, 38c; prime yellow, 34c; yellow off grades, 30@33c; prime white. 39@40c. Coffee options opened steady at from 15 points lower to 5 points higher, ruled firm throughout the session, and closed firm at 5@25 points net advance. Sales, 16,500 bags, including: December, 16.90@17c; January, 16.60@17c; February, 16.30c; March, 16.05@ 20c; May, 15.60@15.65c. Spot coffee-Rio market firm; No. 7, 18@18%c. Mild market steady; Cordova, 20@204c. Sales, 1,500 bags Rio, No. 7, at Baltimore, to come here at 18c; 1,000 bags Rio, No. 7, at 1756c; 1,000 bags Santos, Nos. 5 to 8, at private terms; 300 bags Maricaibo and 130 bags Central American at private terms. Hamburg quiet and unchanged to ¼ pfg. higher. Havre dull and ¼@¾f. higher. Rio—No advices. London quiet, generally 2d to 1s higher. Sugar-Raw steady; fair refining, 2½c; centrifugal, 96 test, 27%c. Sales, 3,800 tons Java, 96 test, at 23%c; 5,000 bags new crop Cuba centrifugal, December shipment, 96

Philadelphia, at 2%c. Refined steady. TRADE IN GENERAL.

Baltimore and Other Points. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.-Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat declined 1/20% c on lower Western advices and bearish effect of the gold exports. Sales, No. 2 Pennsylvania, 66%c; steamer No. 2 red at 64%c, and No. 2 red winter at 65%c; December, 65%@ 65%c; January, 66%66%c; February, 87%668c; March, 69%69%c. Corn—Options declined %c on lower Western advices and offerings.

er in sympathy with the West. Car lots dull at a decline of ½c. Sales ungraded white at 36ct; No. 2 white, 37½c; choice No. 2 white, 37½c; choice No. 2 white, 37%c; 2 white clipped, 38c; December, 35%@36c; January, 35%@36c; February, 35%@36%c; March, 36@36%c, Butter—Fancy Western creamery scarce, and held %@1c higher but hard to realize. Prints in fair demand.

Western creamery, fancy, 28½@29c; good to choice, 25@28c; Pennsylvania creamery prints, 26@30c. Eggs—Fresh stock firm and in good demand; held lots plentiful and prices irregular. Western fresh, 26@27c; Pennsylvania and nearby, 27c. Cheese dull but steady. Cotton unchanged. Sugar was firm and in fair demand. Hay steady and choice qualities in good demand. Receipts-Wheat, 9,999 bu; corn, 12,489 bu; oats, 9,534 bu; flour, 5,902 brls, 8,695 sacks. Shipments— Wheat, 3,114 bu; corn, 4,829 bu; oats, 24,279

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Flour weak but un-changed. Wheat advanced 4c early, but went off 4c later, and closed with buyers %c below yesterday; cash, 58%c; December, 59%c; January, 59%c bid; May, 65c bid. Corn dull and weak, but closed only %c under yesterday; cash, 34c; December, 33%c; January, 33%c; May, 35%c bid. Oats very dull; cash and December, 27½c bid; May, 30%c bid. Rye, no sales; 47c bid. Barley weak and dull; small sales of Iowa at 40c; choice Minnesota, 55c. Bran quiet at 63c, east track. Hay steady; timothy, \$10@12.50 prairie, \$7@9. Flaxseed firm at \$1.16. Butter and eggs unchanged. Corn meal quiet at \$1.75. Whisky steady at \$1.15. Bagging quiet at 41/206c. Cotton ties, 9@10c. Pro-visions quiet; pork, job lots, \$14. Lard, 8c. Loose dry-salt souldres, 6.25c; longs and ribs, 6.80c; shorts, 6.95c; boxed lots, .15c more. Bacon-Shoulders, 7.25c; longs and ribs, 8c; shorts, 8.25c. Receipts-Flour, 2,000 bu: wheat, 28,000 bu; corn, 149,000 bu; oats, 40,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 9,000 brls; wheat, 12,000 bu; corn, 100,000 bu; oats, 18,000

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12. - The wool market was quiet, buyers operating in small lines for actual necessities. Prices were weak and outside figures hard to realize. Range of prices was as follows: Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia washed, XX and above, 23@24c; X and above, 21@22c; medium, 27@25c; one-quarter blood, 23@24c; common, 20@22c; New York, Michigan, Wisconsin, etc., fine, 20@21c; medium. 23@24c; one-quarter blood, 23c; common, 21@22c; tags, 10@15c; washed combing and delaine, fine delaine, Ohio, 23@25c; low, 22@23c; unwashed fine, 14@15c; medium, 19 @20c; one-quarter, 18@20c; common and burry, 14@16c; tags, 7@10c; combing medium, 19@21c; chiefly, 20c; one-quarter blood, 19@20c; chiefly, 20c; low, 18c; terri-torial and Western light fine, 10@12c; heavy fine, 7@10c; fine meduim, 12@14c; medium, 14@15c; low medium, 13@15c; coarse, 12@14c. BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 12.-Flour mar-713 brls; shipments, 157 brls. Wheat-Closing prices: No. 2 red, spot, 65%@65%c; steamer No. 2, 62%c asked; No. 3 red, spot, 63%@ 631/2c; December, 65% 265% c; January, 661/46 664c; May, 714@714. Corn—Spot, mixed. 434@434c; No. 2 white, spot, 434@434c; year, 424@434c; January, 45@454c; February, 424@43c; May, 454c. Oats extremely dull. Receipts withdrawn, 8,071 bu. Butter Receipts withdrawn, 8,071 bu. Butter steady; receipts of all grades continue light, particularly of tancy creamery, which is wanted; Eastern shores, 27@28c; Western dairy, 21@22c; other grades unchanged. Eggs-Receipts continue light, demand strong and prices higher; Maryland and Pernsylvania, 2516@26c; Western, 25@26c. Hay dull and unchanged. MINNEAPOLIS. Dec. 12. - December

wheat opened at 59%c, being %c better than yesterday, and remained steady at that up to noon, with but little trading done in it but later fell with May, closing at 59c. May opened at 62%c, being the same as yester-day's close, advanced to 63%c, dropped to 62%c, firmed and closed at 62%c. The track wheat was fairly active, but at the expense of value. Millers were free buyers at the decline, but later were quite different. The receipts were liberal, but a good deal of it was placed on sale to arrive. No. 1 hard sold at 62½c; No. 1 Northern, 61@614c; No. 2 Northern, 59%c. Receipts, 267 cars; shipments, 28 cars. Flour dull and unchanged; production to-day about 25,000 brls. TOLEDO, Dec. 12.-Wheat dull and low-

er; No. 2, cash, 62c; May, 67%c. Corn dull and steady; No. 2, cash, 37%c nominal; No. 3, 36c. Oats qufet; cash, 30%c. Rye dull; cash, 50c bid. Clover seed dull and steady; prime cash, \$5.85; January, \$5.90; February, \$5.95; March, \$6. Receipts—Flour, 200 brls; wheat, 35,000 bu; corn, 98,000 bu; oats, 1,000 bu; rye, 2,000 bu; clover seed, 600 bags. Shipments—Flour, 3,000 brls; wheat, 1,000 bu; corn, 5,500 bu; oats, 500 bu; rye, 1,500 bu; clover seed, 250 bags.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Flour slow and weak. Wheat dull and steady; No. 2 red, 59c. Receipts, 2,600 bu; shipments, none. Corn heavy; No. 2 mixed, 39c. Oats active and lower; No. 2 mixed, 32c. Rye quiet but firm; No. 2, 54c. Pork quiet and barely steady at \$13. Lard dull and lower at 80 Bulk meats stronger. Bacon dull at 8.224c. Whisky quiet but steady; sales, 579 brls at \$1.15. Butter stronger. Sugar steady. Eggs firm at 21c. Cheese slow.

DETROIT, Dec. 12.—The market closed dull and about %c lower. Wheat—No. 1 white, 601/c; No. 2 red, cash, 62c; January, 621/ge; May, 67%c; No. 3 red, 59c. Corn-No. 2 cash, 38%c. Oats-No. 2 white, 32%c; No. 2 mixed, 30c. Rye-No. 2 cash, 50c. Prime clover seed, \$5.90. Receipts-Wheat, 61,000 bu; corn, 6,000 bu; oats, 4,000 bu.

Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.-Advices from the interior show that small stocks of dry goods are being carried as the result of caution, but this leads to quite a large number of mail orders for small quantities of goods in order to rejuvenate assortments. The feature of the market was the reduction of prices for bleached cotton as follows: Lonsdale, 8c; Cumberland, 7½c; Lonsdale cambrics, 10c; Blackstone, 7c; Hope, 6%c; Fitchville, 6%c; Forget-me-not, 6%c; Farmers' choice, 6%c; Coronet cambric, 7%c; Fruit of the Loom, 8c. For Lonsdale and Fruit these are the lowest prices since 1885. Print cloths show moderate ac-tivity and prints suitable for spring trade at least hold their own. The business in ginghams and woven wash goods is moderately active and running toward light, cheerful patterns suitable for hot weather Spots were fairly active, closing easy; No. | wear. Foreign dry goods show considerahesitation on the part of buyers. The jobbing trade is slow. The holiday trade among 'retailers reflects the results of pinching times and runs toward a less expensive class of goods than during holiday

seasons heretofore.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 12.—Rosin steady; strained, 95c; good, \$1.06; spirits of turpentine quiet at 261/2c. Tar steady at 90c. Turpentine quiet; hard, \$1; soft, \$1.60; Virgin, \$1.60.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 12.—Petroleum quiet; S. W., 110, 5%c; 74 gasoline, 7c; 86 gasoline, 10c; 63 naphtha, 61/2c. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Petroleum strong; United closed at 781/2c bid. Rosin steady. Turpentine steady. SAVANNAH, Dec. 12.-Spirits of turpentine steady at 26%c. Rosin firm at \$1.05.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 .- Pig iron steady; American, \$12@15. Copper barely steady lake, 10.25c. Lead barely steady; domestic Tin quiet; straits, 20.45c; Spelter 3.20c. quiet; domestic, 3.671/2c; sales on 'Change 50.000 pounds January copper at 10.35c; 50 .-000 pounds January copper at 10.30c; 30 tons tin at 20.45c. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.-Lead lower and slow at 3c; spelter quotable at 3.50c.

Cotton. ORLEANS, Dec. 12.-Cotton steady; middling, 73-16c; low midling, 6 15-16c; good ordinary, 6 9-16c. Receipts 19,617 bales; gross receipts, 20,919 bales; exports to Great Britian, 17,852 bales; exports to France, 3,350 bales; exports to continent, 11,839 bales; exports coastwise, 2,805 bales; sales, 8,000 bales; stock 301,956

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.-Wool quiet; domestic fleece, 19@26c; pulled, 20@26c; Texas,

LIVE STOCK.

Good Cattle in Fair Demand-Hogs Active and Higher-Sheep Steady. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 12. - Cattle-Receipts, 100; shipments none. There was a fair supply, mostly butcher grades. The demand was fair for the best grades; others barely steady. About all sold at the close.

Export grades......\$4.50@5.00 Good to choice shippers...... 4.00@4.40 Fair to medium shippers..... 3.40@3.80 Stockers, 500 to 800 lbs..... 2.00/12.50 Good to choice heifers..... 3.00@3.50 Fair to medium heifers..... 2.25@2.7 test, at 2%c, cost and freight, and 5,500 bags Common thin heifers..... 1.50@2.00 Fair to medium cows...... 2.00@2.49 Bahla, 96 test, at breakwater, to go to Common old cows. 1.90@1.75
Veals, good to choice. 4.25@5.50
Veals, common to medium. 2.75@3.75 Bulls, common to medium...... 1.50@2.00 Quotations at St. Louis, Philadelphia,

Hogs-Receipts, 8,651; shipments, 4,000. The quality was generally good; however, there were a few cars of rather common lights on sale, which sold at \$5.20@5.25. The general market opened active and higher. sales ranging from \$5.30 to \$5.37%, with one car white hogs, averaging 383 lbs, at Car lots were dull and ½c lower. Sales, one car white hogs, averaging 383 lbs, at new steamer yellow, 44½c; new No. 2 yellow \$5.45, but this must not be considered as offered at 45½c; December, 43¼043½c; Jan-coming in the regular market. Trade

uary, 42%@43%c; February, 43%@43%c; ruled fairly active until all were sold, the March, 43%@44c. Oats—Options were weak-Heavy packing and shipping ... \$5.30@5.371/2 5.25\(\alpha\)5.35 5.20\(\alpha\)5.35 Heavy roughs..... 4.00@4.90 Pigs 4.50g5.15

Sheep and Lambs - Receipts, 450; shipments, 200. But few on sale. Good fat stock found ready sales at about steady prices; others dull at quotations. Good to choice sheep\$2.60@3.00 Bucks, per head..... 2.00@3.00

Elsewhere. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.-Beeves-Receipts, 77, mainly for slaughterers. No trade. London cables quote American steers at 10@11%c; dressed weight American refrig-erated beef, 8%c. Exports to-morrow, 3,-768 quarters of beef.

Calves - Receipts, 113. Veals steady; grassers weak. Veals, ordinary to fairly prime, \$6@8; grassers, \$2.20@2.50.

Sheep.—Receipts, 3,520. Very little demand; trade almost nominal. Sheep, inferior to fair, \$2.50@3; lambs, common to fairly good, \$4@4.75. Hogs-Receipts, 3,458. Very few on sale, Quoted at \$5.75@6.25. BUFFALO, Dec. 12.-Cattle-The market was lower, with 30 carloads here. Sales of

good steers at \$4.65@4.80; light to medium, \$3.50@4.10; mixed butchers', \$2.75@3.25; bulls, Hogs-The market was steady. Yorkers, \$4.40@4.45; mediums and heavy, \$4.40@4.50; mixed packers, \$4.40@4.45; pigs, \$4.50@4.55; roughs, \$4.25@4.75. Sheep-The market was dull and easier. Fair to good native lambs, \$3.50@4.20;

choice, \$4.30@4.40; fair to good native sheep,

\$2.50@3; choice fat easier at \$3.25@3.50; extra wethers, \$4@4.50; Canada lambs, \$4.50@ CHICAGO, Dec. 12 .- The Evening Journal reports: Cattle-Receipts, 6,000; shipments, 2,000. The market was slow and steady; one lot Christmas steers, \$6.25; shippers and exporters, \$4.80@5.60; others, \$3.25 @4.50; Westerns, \$2.80@3.80; no Texans on

Hogs - Receipts, 29,000; shipments, 11,000, The market was unevently lower; heavy, \$5.05@5.25; butchers', \$5.25@5.30; light, \$5.20@ 5.35; mixed, \$5.10@5.20. Sheep - Receipts, 13,000; shipments, 2,000. The market was active; natives, \$2.50@3.70; Westerns, \$2.80@3.50; lambs, \$2.75@4.65. ST. LOUIS. Dec. 12.-Cattle-Receipts, 6,-200; shipments, 1,600. The market was steady. Fair to good native steers sold at \$3@4.17, latter averaging 1,438 lbs; ordinary, \$2.60@2.75; cows, \$1.65@2.80, the latter heavy; fed Texas steers, \$3.10@3.60; grass steers,

\$2.40@3; cows, \$1.60@2.30. Hogs - Receipts, 6,800; shipments, 1,400. The market was steady. Light, \$5.10@5.30; mixed, \$4.80@5.20; heavy, \$4.90@5.15. Sheep-Receipts, 1,000; shipments, 400. The market was strong. Native mixed sold at \$2@3.25; muttons, \$3@3.40; fat lambs, \$4@ KANSAS CITY, Dec. 12.-Cattle-Re-

ceipts, 8,300; shipments, 21,000. Market steady to firm; Texas steers, \$2.25@3.30; shipping steers, \$165.55; Texas and native cows, \$1.6563.25; butchers' stock, \$3.1564.10; stockers, \$3.15@4.10; stockers and feeders, Hogs-Receipts, 10,000; shipments, 500. Market steady to 5c lower; bulk, \$5.05@ 8.121/2; heavy packing and mixed, \$4.85@5.15;

light Yorkers and pigs, \$4.75@5.15.
Sheep-Receipts, 2,400; shipments, 700.
Market slow and unchanged. LOUISVILLE, Dec. 12.-Cattle-The market was steady on good grades. Extra shipping, \$4@4.50; light shipping, \$3.75@4; best butchers, \$3.50@3.75; feeders, \$3@3.40. Hogs-The market was steady, with all sold. Choice packing and butchers, \$5.35@5.40; fair to good packing, \$5.25@5.30; good to ex-tra light, \$5.15@5.20; roughs, \$4.25@4.50. Sheep and Lambs—The market was un-

changed. Good to extra shipping sheep, \$2.25@2.50; fair to good, \$2@2.25; extra lambs, \$3@3.50; fair to good, \$2.75@3. EAST LIBERTY, Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 360; shipments, 700. The market was slow at yesterday's decline of 10@25c off from last week's prices. No cattle shipped to New York to-day. Hogs-Receipts, 1,200; shipments, 1,100. The market was fairly active. All grades, \$5.40 @5.50. Two carloads of hogs shipped to Sheep-Receipts, 1,700; shipments, 400. The

New York to-day. market was steady at yesterday's prices. CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Hogs—The mar-ket was stronger at \$4.50@5.25. Receipts, 5,800; shipments, 3,300. Cattle-The market was steady at \$1.75@ 4.50. Receipts, 200; shipments, 600. Sheep-The market was steady at \$1.35% 3.50. Receipts, 900; shipments, 700. Lambs steady at \$2.50@4.

Odds and Ends.

Discolorations from bruises may be prevented or very much helped by applying as quickly as possible a slice of raw beef, or a cloth wrung out in hot water. A healthful appetizer is found in a raw egg beaten and dropped into a glass of milk. Flavor delicately, if you wish, with nutmeg, sweeten and take half hour before Inflamed feet may be cured by soaking nightly for a week in a bath composed of one gallon of hot water to which has been added one ounce of saleratus and a pint of wheat bran. Russian salad is made by mixing cold vegetables, as carrots, peas, string beans, potatoes, corn, beets, etc., cut in small pieces and served with a dressing containing red pepper and vinegar. Teapots should be washed and dried after each meal, and once a week have a strong

then rinse and dry well. Such management insures delicately flavored tea-if properly Unless the varnish has been taken off by heat, spots may be removed from furniture by rubbing vigorously with sweet oil and turpentine in equal parts. Afterwards wash with warm soapsuds and polish with crude petroleum oil.

solution of washing soda boiled in them.

To make a salmon salad, mince cooked salmon and pour over it the following dressing: Mix one saltspoonful each of salt and pepper and one teaspoonful of grated onion; then add three tablespoonfuls of vinegar Try for a cold flaxseed lemonade. To a pint of water you add two dessertspoonfuls of flaxseed or less if you find this makes the drink too pasty. Into this you squeeze the juice of two lemons; sweeten to taste and ice before drinking.

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